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ANNUAL REPORTS

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TOWN OFFICERS

— OF THE —

TOWN OF GROTON, N. H.

— FOR —

THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1923

BRISTOL, N. H.
MUSGROVE PRINTING HOUSE
1923

GEO. F. DUNKERTON

CHARLIE D. JEWELL

ELWIN G. GOULD

ERNEST E. HOLT

A. A. REMICK HOWARD HALL
H. F. BUTTERFIELD .

AGNES A. LANE

S. E. LANE
H. R. HALL
E. E. HORNE

M. F. MATTHEWS
D. M. JOHNSTON
E. G. GOULD



BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GROTON

Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures for the year ending Jan. 31, 1924 compared with Actual Revenues and Expenditures for the year ending Jan. 31, 1923.

| Sources of revenues | 1922 | Estimated 1923 |
|--|------------|-------------------|
| From state | | |
| Savings bank tax | \$106.39 | \$100.00 |
| For highways | | |
| State aid maintenance | 222.70 | 500.00 |
| From local sources except taxes | | |
| Interest on liberty bonds | 14.88 | 14.88 |
| Auto registration fees | 106.72 | 106.72 |
| From poll taxes | 240.00 | 300.00 |
| Revenue applicable only to new construction | 319.49 | 357.00 |
| <hr/> | | |
| Total revenue from all sources except property taxes | \$1,010.18 | \$1,678.60 |
| Amount raised by property taxes | 7,984.34 | 8,000.00 |
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| | \$8,994.52 | \$9,678.60 |

| Purposes of expenditures | Estimated | |
|---|------------|-------------|
| | 1922 | 1923 |
| Current maintenance expenses | | |
| Town officers' salaries | \$390.46 | \$390.00 |
| Town officers' expenses | 147.50 | 147.00 |
| Police | 15.66 | 15.00 |
| Fire department | 11.25 | 12.00 |
| Bounties | 6.00 | 15.00 |
| Health department | 3.00 | 5.00 |
| Vital statistics | 1.55 | 2.00 |
| Highways and bridges | | |
| State aid maintenance | | |
| State's contribution | 222.70 | 500.00 |
| Town's contribution | 366.11 | 500.00 |
| Town maintenance | 2,433.12 | 2,500.00 |
| General expense of highway dept. | 47.97 | 50.00 |
| Education, libraries | 37.50 | 40.00 |
| Unclassified | 476.08 | 476.08 |
| Interest on temporary loans | 120.00 | 200.00 |
| Outlay for new construction | | |
| State's contribution | 319.49 | 357.00 |
| Town's contribution | 1,043.22 | 595.50 |
| Payment on long term note | | 2,000.00 |
| Payment to other governmental divisions | | |
| State taxes | 825.00 | 825.00 |
| County taxes | 564.39 | 564.39 |
| To school district | 2,398.04 | 2,500.00 |
| Total expenditures | \$9,429.04 | \$11,693.97 |

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTORY OF THE
TOWN OF GROTON, N. H., APRIL 1, 1922

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Lands and buildings | \$373,000.00 |
| Horses, 58 | 5,665.00 |
| Oxen, 10 | 645.00 |
| Cows, 78 | 3,205.00 |
| Other neat, 12 | 360.00 |
| Sheep, 17 | 67.00 |
| Hogs, 2 | 35.00 |
| Fowls, 160 | 210.00 |
| Vehicles, 1 | 50.00 |
| Portable mills, 10 | 3,510.00 |
| Mules, 2 | 200.00 |
| Wood and lumber | 3,260.00 |
| Money on hand | 150.00 |
| Stock in trade | 2,360.00 |
| Mills and machinery | 6,500.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$399,217.00 |
| Polls at \$3.00, 9 | |
| Polls at \$5.00, 89 | |
| Rate per \$100.00, \$2.25 | |
| Soldiers exempt | \$2,000.00 |
| Taxes levied | |
| Property | 7,984.34 |
| Polls | 472.00 |

We certify that the above is a correct transcript of the footings of each column of taxable property, the amount of taxes levied and the rate of taxation in the town of Groton in the year 1922.

S. E. LANE,
H. R. HALL,
E. E. HORNE,

APPROPRIATIONS

Made at Town Meeting March 1922

| | |
|--|------------|
| Town charges | \$590.27 |
| Highways and bridges | 2,655.63 |
| State aid construction | 507.00 |
| State aid maintenance | 400.00 |
| To pay on town notes | 500.00 |
| State tax | 825.00 |
| County tax | 564.39 |
| Library | 15.00 |
| Schools, 1922-23 | 1,667.18 |
| School officers' salaries | 150.00 |
| School tuition | 55.00 |
| Per capita tax | 90.00 |
| Loan from town | 235.87 |
| Superintendent's and truant officer's salary | 127.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$8,382.34 |

TOWN OF GROTON BALANCE SHEET

JANUARY 31, 1923

Assets

| | |
|--|------------|
| Cash in hands of treasurer | \$665.77 |
| Liberty bonds owned by town | 350.00 |
| Accounts due town | |
| Joint highway accounts, unexpended balance in state treasury | 365.66 |
| Bounties | 9.00 |
| Due to town from school district | 235.87 |
| Taxes not collected | |
| Levy of 1922 | 3,142.99 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total assets | \$4,769.29 |
| Excess of liabilities over assets | 916.95 |
| | <hr/> |
| Grand total | \$5,686.24 |
| Net debt, surplus Jan. 31, 1922 | \$619.74 |
| Net debt, surplus Jan. 31, 1923 | 916.95 |
| | <hr/> |
| Increase of debt | \$297.21 |

Liabilities

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Account owed by town | |
| Bills outstanding | \$106.95 |
| Dog licenses | 45.20 |
| School money | 1,161.86 |

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Joint highway account | |
| Balance in state treasury | \$365.66 |
| Balance in town treasury | 461.57 |
| Outstanding temporary loans | 3,545.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total liabilities | \$5,686.24 |

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

| | |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Town house, land and buildings | \$1,000.00 |
| Furniture and equipment | 200.00 |
| Library | 550.00 |
| Furniture and equipment | 10.00 |
| Highway department equipment | 200.00 |
| Highway department material | 50.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$2,010.00 |

TREASURER'S REPORT, GROTON

For the year ending Jan. 31, 1923

Money received:

| | |
|---|-------------|
| From Percy Plume, collector, paid in 1921, put on the book this year | |
| Taxes of 1919 | \$24.42 |
| Taxes of 1920 | 329.34 |
| From B. H. Gould, collector | |
| Taxes of 1921 | 1,219.16 |
| Interest collected | 13.16 |
| Supplementary taxes 1921 | 31.25 |
| From E. G. Gould, collector, taxes, 1922 | 5,313.35 |
| From selectmen | 2,336.15 |
| In hands of treasurer, Jan. 31, 1922 | 827.98 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total received | \$10,094.81 |
| Orders paid out | 9,429.04 |
| | <hr/> |
| In hands of treasurer, Jan. 31, 1923 | \$665.77 |

CHARLIE D. JEWELL, Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,
FRANK BUTTERFIELD,

Auditors.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

From local taxes

| | |
|---|------------|
| Amount committed to collector | |
| 1922 | \$8,456.34 |
| Less abatements 1922 | 168.73 |
| Less uncollected 1922 | 3,142.99 |
| Property taxes current year actually collected | \$5,073.35 |
| Poll taxes current year actually collected, 48 at \$5 | 240.00 |
| Property and poll taxes previous years actually collected | 1,604.17 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total of above collections | \$6,917.52 |

From state

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| For state aid maintenance | \$222.70 |
| For state aid construction | 319.49 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$542.19 |
| Savings bank tax | 106.39 |

From local sources except taxes

| | |
|--|--------|
| Dog licenses | 45.20 |
| Bounties | 14.00 |
| Interest on taxes | 13.16 |
| Interest on bonds | 14.88 |
| Permits for registration of motor vehicles | 106.72 |
| Gravel | 6.77 |

Other than current revenue

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Temporary loans | 1,500.00 |
|-----------------|----------|

Total receipts from all sources \$9,266.83

Cash on hand Feb. 1st., 1922 827.98

Grand total \$10,094.81

PAYMENTS

| | |
|--|-------------|
| General government | |
| Town officers' salaries | \$390.46 |
| Town officers' expenses | 147.50 |
| Protection of persons and property | |
| Police | 15.66 |
| Fire department | 11.25 |
| Bounties | 6.00 |
| Health | |
| Health department | 3.00 |
| Vital statistics | 1.55 |
| Highways and bridges | |
| State aid maintenance | 588.81 |
| Town | 2,433.12 |
| Expenses of highway department | 47.97 |
| Libraries | |
| Books and salaries | 37.50 |
| Unclassified | 194.44 |
| Taxes refunded | 281.64 |
| Interest paid on temporary loans | 120.00 |
| Outlay for new construction | |
| State aid construction | 1,362.71 |
| Payments to other governmental divisions | |
| State tax | 825.00 |
| County tax | 564.39 |
| School district | 2,398.04 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total payments for all purposes | \$9,429.04 |
| Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1923 | 665.77 |
| | <hr/> |
| Grand total | \$10,094.81 |

ABATEMENTS

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| B. H. Gould, collector, 1921 | \$11.67 |
| C. E. Hibbard, 1921 | 50.62 |
| N. P. Clough, 1921 | 50.62 |
| E. G. Gould, collector, 1922 | 168.73 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total abatements | \$281.64 |

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

| | |
|---|----------|
| S. E. Lane, selectman | \$120.00 |
| H. R. Hall, selectman | 25.50 |
| E. E. Horne, selectman | 83.50 |
| B. H. Gould, collector, 1921 | 27.71 |
| C. D. Jewell, clerk and treasurer | 90.00 |
| C. D. Jewell, land agent, fire warden, board of health | 9.00 |
| S. N. Kinne, ballot clerk | 10.00 |
| A. A. Remick, supervisor | 18.75 |
| G. F. Dunkerton and Frank Butterfield | 6.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | \$390.46 |

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| S. E. Lane, expenses | \$91.00 |
| H. R. Hall, expenses | 14.00 |
| Jackman and Lang, treasurer's bond | 6.00 |
| G. F. Dunkerton, moderator | 7.50 |
| H. F. Butterfield, supervisor | 18.00 |
| F. W. Brown, collector's bond | 6.00 |
| H. W. Remick, ballot clerk | 2.50 |
| S. N. Kinne, guide | 2.50 |
| P. D. Matthews | 15.66 |

| | |
|---|--------|
| Dr. Russell, medical advice | \$3.00 |
| G. F. Dunkerton, watching fire | 5.00 |
| G. F. Dunkerton, housing spile-driver | 2.50 |
| H. W. Remick, watching fire | 3.75 |
| Arthur Ferrin, watching fire | 2.50 |
| C. D. Jewell, recording births and deaths | 1.05 |
| C. D. Jewell, making auto permits | 4.50 |
| C. D. Jewell, guide on town line and lots | 7.00 |
| E. E. Ladd, return of births | .50 |
| C. E. Matthews, guide on lots | 19.50 |
| Musgrove Printing House, town reports | 50.12 |
| E. C. Eastman, collector's book | 2.55 |
| W. J. Randolph | 2.38 |
| F. W. Brown, insurance on library | 7.00 |

EXPENDITURES FOR MAINTENANCE OF TOWN HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Districts 1 and 2. Frankie Butterfield, Surveyor

| | |
|------------------|----------|
| Bill of March 30 | \$68.32 |
| May 6 | 60.13 |
| June 3 | 88.69 |
| June 20 | 78.50 |
| Aug. 24 | 38.83 |
| Dec. 5 | 24.59 |
| Jan. 28 | 42.49 |
| Jan. 28 | 51.86 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$453.41 |

Districts 3 and 4. C. E. Matthews, Surveyor

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Bill of April 4 | \$54.65 |
| June 3 | 42.16 |
| June 3, Mrs. W. S. Brown | 13.82 |
| June 24 | 69.59 |
| Oct. 13 | 34.45 |
| Sept. 23, E. E. Horne | 6.72 |
| Sept. 19, E. E. Horne | 45.51 |
| Dec. 15 | 15.00 |
| Jan. 15 | 17.38 |
| Jan. 31, W. S. Brown | 33.32 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$332.60 |

District 6. Lena G. Marshall Surveyor

| | |
|------------------|---------|
| Bill of April 15 | \$43.26 |
|------------------|---------|

District 8. E. G. Gould, Surveyor

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Bill of Dec. 15 | \$45.46 |
|-----------------|---------|

Districts 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12. E. W. Holt, Surveyor

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Bill of Feb. 22 | \$131.25 |
| Feb. 28 | 72.50 |
| March 13 | 90.99 |
| April 17 | 101.94 |
| April 28 | 181.68 |
| May 12 | 78.75 |
| May 25 | 47.00 |
| June 8 | 77.71 |
| June 27, George C. Craig | 9.96 |
| Sept. 9, Hugo Futterer | 20.30 |
| Sept. 29 | 36.25 |
| Sept. 29 | 10.00 |
| Nov. 15 | 13.00 |
| Dec. 15, W. H. Keniston | 14.65 |
| Dec. 15, C. R. Suyday | 3.00 |
| Dec. 15, E. Houle | 10.44 |
| Jan. 31, E. E. Holt | 15.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$914.42 |

Districts 5, 6, 7, 11. Burr Monroe, Surveyor

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Bill of Sept. 23 | \$21.25 |
| Oct. 10 | 3.75 |
| Oct. 21 | 29.44 |
| Oct. 23, Colburn Construction Co. | 130.00 |
| Dec. 2 | 32.24 |
| Dec. 30 | 5.00 |
| Jan. 4, S. E. Lane | 25.00 |

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Bill of Jan. 20 | \$45.00 |
| Jan. 31 | 9.16 |
| Jan. 31, Arthur Allen | 12.50 |
| Jan. 31, S. E. Lane | 5.00 |
| Jan. 31 | 3.75 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$322.09 |

Districts 9 and 10. H. W. Hall, Surveyor

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Bill of May 6 | \$38.16 |
| July 15 | 81.64 |
| Jan. 6 | 35.27 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$155.07 |

District 12. E. A. Eastman, Surveyor

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| Bill of Jan. 6 | \$64.63 |
|----------------|---------|

Groton Hollow Road. J. S. Kelley, Surveyor

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Bill of Jan. 31 | \$12.45 |
|-----------------|---------|

MISCELLANEOUS TOWN HIGHWAY
MAINTENANCE BILLS

| | |
|--|----------|
| F. W. Jewell | \$50.00 |
| W. S. H. Remick, sawing and planing lumber | 27.73 |
| W. S. H. Remick, breaking roads | 12.00 |
| A. A. Remick, freight | 7.75 |
| W. S. H. Remick, freight | 3.00 |
| C. N. Merrill & Son, cement | 21.00 |
| C. A. Smith, cartage on stringers | 16.00 |
| H. E. Ferrin, cartage and express | 7.22 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$137.70 |

EXPENDED FOR STATE AID MAINTENANCE

Brook Road. Supervision of S. E. Lane

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Bill of June 15 | \$150.00 |
| June 20 | 66.31 |
| Aug. 19 | 117.57 |
| Nov. 4 | 100.00 |
| Jan. 8 | 89.96 |
| Jan. 31 | 42.75 |
| Nov. 25, South Groton road | 22.22 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$588.81 |

EXPENDED FOR STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

South Groton Road. Supervision of S. E. Lane

| | |
|------------------|------------|
| Bill of Sept. 18 | \$200.00 |
| Oct. 2 | 211.00 |
| Nov. 4 | 275.00 |
| Nov. 22 | 300.00 |
| Jan. 8 | 376.71 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,362.71 |

Groton, N. H., Feb. 26, 1923.

We, the undersigns, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,
FRANK BUTTERFIELD,
Auditors.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Amount on hand at beginning of year | \$22.82 | |
| Received from town | 15.00 | |
| Received fines | 1.02 | |
| Membership fees | .64 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total receipts | | \$39.48 |
| Books bought | \$28.38 | |
| Catalogue cards | 7.30 | |
| Express, postage, supplies | 2.89 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total expenditures | | \$38.57 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1923 | | \$81 |

RESOURCES

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| Books owned at beginning of year | 1,460 |
| Books bought by town | 31 |
| Books added by gifts | 23 |
| Federal, town, and state documents | 8 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 1,522 |
| Books destroyed | 2 |
| | <hr/> |
| Books owned at end of year | 1,520 |
| Magazine currently received | 1 |

SERVICE

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Volumes of non-fiction lent | 8 | |
| Volumes of fiction lent | 640 | |
| Unbound magazines lent | 75 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total current circulation for year | | 723 |
| | | |
| New borrowers added during year | 15 | |
| Regular borrowers | 49 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total borrowers during year | | 64 |

AGNES A. LANE,

Librarian and Treasurer.

Groton, N. H., Jan. 31, 1923.

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER

For year ending July 1, 1922

| | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Money received from town treasurer | \$2,534.85 |
| State school fund | 233.44 |
| In hands of treasurer July 1, 1921 | 4.63 |

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|-------|------------|
| Total | \$2,772.92 |
|-------|------------|

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|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Paid orders drawn by school board | \$2,772.92 |
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CHARLIE D. JEWELL,
School Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,
FRANK BUTTERFIELD,
Auditors.

SCHOOL ORDERS PAID FOR YEAR ENDING
JULY 1, 1922

TEACHING

| | |
|---|----------|
| Allie Batchelder | \$272.00 |
| Marjorie Moore | 396.00 |
| Edna Gould | 433.20 |
| C. R. Suydam | 152.50 |
| Mrs. F. O. Matthews, conveying scholars | 442.50 |
| Sam Cate, conveying scholars | 108.00 |
| Town of Rumney, tuition | 69.00 |
| Town of Dorchester, tuition | 469.00 |

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Lizzie Jewell | 4.00 |
| Agnes Lane | 14.65 |
| Frankie Jewell | 6.00 |
| Ernest Holt | 9.00 |
| Mrs. W. S. Brown | 14.00 |
| State treasurer, per capita tax | 100.00 |
| Karl Cavis | 55.84 |
| Ernest Holt | 9.00 |
| S. E. Lane | 50.00 |
| Mrs. A. B. Ford | 7.20 |
| Frank Jewell | 10.00 |
| E. E. Babb & Co. | .55 |
| M. G. Gunett | 27.50 |
| Musgrove Printing House | 2.40 |
| D. C. Heath & Co. | 6.51 |

| | |
|----------------------------|--------|
| T. B. Lippincott Co. | \$8.16 |
| Milton Bradley Co. | 27.21 |
| American Book Co. | 10.07 |
| Harry Houston | 3.02 |
| Masons Perkins Paper Corp. | 4.65 |
| J. L. Hammett Co. | 2.50 |
| H. L. Fletcher | .78 |
| Shirley Jewell | 7.00 |
| Jackman & Lang | 3.00 |
| Dr. A. V. Doud | 20.00 |
| Edson C. Eastman | 1.04 |
| E. E. Babb & Co. | 2.23 |
| C. D. Jewell | 17.00 |
| Cobler Company | 3.13 |
| E. E. Babb & Co. | 2.85 |
| W. B. Renney Co. | 1.43 |

Total

\$2,772.92

C. D. JEWELL,
School Treasurer.

VITAL STATISTICS, GROTON, N. H.

Year ending December, 1922

MARRIAGES RECORDED

- Dec.** 10 Clyde T. Smith, Freeport, N. Y.
Lillian J. Huber, Groton, N. H.
- 20 Frank E. Matthews, Groton, N. H.
Lena M. Hobart, Hebron, N. H.

BIRTHS RECORDED

- Apr.** 4 Jeel Edgar Holt

DEATHS RECORDED

- Feb.** 8 Fred Kidder, age 58
- Mar.** 20 James Merry, age 61
- July** 30 Clara Augusta Breck, age 68
- Oct.** 21 Jeel Edgar Holt, age 6 months

CHARLIE D. JEWELL,
Town Clerk.

